

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MEETING

OF THE

GENERAL COUNCIL

OF THE

MAYO COLLEGE, AJMER,

HELD ON

the 6th November 1909.

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Proceedings of the Meeting of the General Council of the Mayo College, Ajmer, held on the 6th November 1909.

PRESENT.

The Hon'ble Mr. E. G. Colvin, I.C.S., c.S.I., Agent to the Governor-General in Rajputana and Vice-President of the General Council.

MEMBERS.

His Highness the Maharaja of Jodhpur, k.c.s.i.

His Highness the Maharaja of Kishangarh, R.C.I.E.

Lt.-Colonel W. C. R. Stratton, I.A., Commissioner, Ajmer-Merwara.

Major K. D. Erskine, C.I.F., Resident, Western Rajputana States.

Major A. D. Bannerman, CI.E., Political Agent, Kotah and Jhalawar.

C. W. Waddington, Esqr., C.I E., Principal, Mayo College, Ajmer.

W. H. J. Wilkinson, Esqr., 1.c.s., First Assistant to the Agent to the Governor-General in Rajputana.

His Highness the Maharaja of Bikaner was unavoidably prevented at the last moment from attending the meeting.

Question I.—Consideration of Working Committee's Resolution III dated 16th April 1909 proposing alterations in the scale of fees fixed for boys from States outside Rajputana, viz Rs. 2,000 per annum or 5 % of income, if this percentage is less than Rs. 2,000.

The Principal reports that this scale, imposing as it does a fee of Rs. 2,000/- on incomes as low as Rs. 40,000/- is likely to exclude a number of otherwise eligible boys. At present out of 168 boys on the College roll, 135 come from Rajputana, 22 from Central India, and 11 from other outside States. The boys from Central India will all have left the College in a few years, and will not be replaced. The College, with a slight expansion of accommodation, can provide adequately for 200 boys, and it seems desirable on all grounds to attract a certain number from outside Rajputana. Should the increased number of Rajputana boys necessitate the exclusion, of outsiders, which is not likely to be the case for some years, it would be preferable to refuse applications for admission on the ground of want of room rather than to preclude them by an excessive fee.

Resolution III of Working Committee dated 16th April 1909.

For the discourse a graduated scale is submitted for consideration. The scale of fees charged at the Aitchison of Rajkot Colleges and the former scale of the Daly College are nunexed for comparison.

Scales of Fees.

Daly College.	Aitchison College.	Rajkot College.
(OLD SCALE). (1) Ruling Chiefs and their Sons. Income two lakhs and over 150. Income under two lakhs 100. (2) Income between Re 5,000 & Re 12,000, 2 per cent. (3) Income above Re 12,000 3 per cent. with maximum of Re. 50 p. m. N.B.—Brothers at \(\frac{1}{2} \) rates below the eldest. Special exceptions made by A. G. C. Minimum fee Rs. 5.	(1) Rs. 50f. p. m. (Rs. 660 per annum. N.B Brothers admitted at 1½ fees. Committee may reduce fee for poor boys. 30 boysadmitted free Special rates for special accommodation.	(Proposed Scale.) Heirs. Cadets (1) States over 5 Lakts 200 100 (2) ", under ", 150 75 (3) ", ", I Lakh 100 60 (4) ", " \frac{1}{2}", 50 50 +25% to States outside Kathiawar which have not given Rs 5,000 to Endowment Fund.

Proposed Scale of Fees.

							Heirs.	Cadets.
(1)	Inco	me over	10 lakhs		***	•••	2,000	1,000.
(2)	79	between	5 & 10	laklıs	•••	•••	1,500	7 50.
(8)	**	11	2 & 5	11	•••	•••	1,200	600.
(4)	"	11	1 & 2	11	•••	•••	1,000	500.
(5)	"	,, 50,0	000 & 1	11	•••	•••	800	400.
(6)	,, 1	below 50,0	000		••	•••	600	800.

N. B.—A reduction of 50% to be made in the case of 2 or more brothers attending College at the same time, the eldest excepted. The Vice-President will have power to reduce or remit fees in special cases.

The Working Committee approve of the scale proposed, but are not in favour of the reduction of fees in special cases.

The question of adding a lower rate of fees for incomes below Rs. 25,000/- was discussed.

Resolution I.—That the scale submitted by the Principal to the Working Committee be adopted, without the addition of any lower rate of fees, but that the Vice-President will have power to reduce or remit fees in special cases.

Further resolved.—That in modification of Resolution (2) on Question II of the Proceedings of the General Council on 16th October 1908, the scale of fees should be applicable to all boys from States or Estates outside Rajputana and Central India.

Question II.—Consideration of Working Committee's Resolution II dated 16th April 1909 regarding payment of pension to 3 members of the old College teaching staff for the periods before August 1904.

The Government of India having declined to reconsider their refusal to accept the arrears of contribution for pension, the Principal proposes that the College Fund should accept liability for the moiety of the pensions, provided that the teachers remain in Government Service long enough to qualify for a proportionate pension from Government.

Resolution II of Working Committee dated 16th April 1909.

The Working Committee approve of the recommendation of the Principal. The following statement gives the names, ages, and length of service of the teachers concerned.

Name.	Date of birth.	Date of appointment.	Pay of appointment.		Length of cervice upto 31st July 1904.		
					Years.	Months.	. Days.
Lala Har Bakhsh	22nd Nov. 1865	4th October 1886	75	5 100	17	Ð	27
Lala Sangam Lal	15th March 1866.	5th November 1894	200 2	0 300	9	8	26
Munshi Gopi Nath	8th Feb. 1874	8th November 1897.	100 2	0 200	G	8	23

Resolution II.—That the proposal of the Working Committee be adopted.

Question III.—Consideration of the question of the modification of Rule 3 of the Rules and Regulations of the College, as the Government of India have intimated that they are prepared to delegate to the Hon'ble the Agent to the Governor-General in Rajputana the power to sanction in future all admissions to the Mayo College whether the families of the entrants reside within or without Rajputana.

3. The right of nominating pupils to the College lies in the first instance with the contributors to the Endowment, the Government of India being represented for Ajmer by the Commissioner, Ajmer-Merwaia. In the case of a minority the power of nominating is vested in the Darbar. The names of all nominees belonging to families resident within Rajputana must be submitted, through the Political Agent, to the Vice-President, and his sanction obtained before the pupil is sent to the College. In all other cases the sanction of the Government of India must be obtained before a boy is sent to the College.

Resolution III .- That Rule 3 be amended to run as follows :-

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Question IV.—Consideration of the question whether more Central India Chiefs should be nominated to the General Council in order to allow of a larger choice for the Agent to the Governor-General, Central India, to select from for the Working Committee.

Resolution IV.—That the Council recognize the desirability of enlarging the field of selection for the Hon'ble the Agent to the Governor-General in Central India in nominating Chiefs to the Working Committee and are prepared to recommend for nomination by the President to the General Council the names proposed by the Hon'ble the Agent to the Governor-General in Central India, viz those of His Highness the Maharaja of Rewah and His Highness the Maharaja of Dhar.

Question V.—Consideration of proposal to build a College Boarding house to accommodate boys from the 9 Rajputana States which have no houses

Rule 3

and boys from States ontside Rajputana. The Principal reports that there are 40 hoys from Rajputana States which have no houses, and 16 boys from outside States, exclusive of Central India. It is increasingly difficult to find accommodation for these boys, 6 of whom live in houses outside the College Park. His Highness the Maharaja of Kishangarh, from whose State there are 13 boys at the College, has had the question of providing accommodation for them under consideration for some time, and has offered a donation of Rs. 5,000 towards a scheme for providing a suitable house for both classes of boys referred to. It is proposed that the maintenance of the house should be a charge upon College funds and that accommodation should be free. Plans and estimates will be laid before the Council.

Resolution V.—That the Council approve of the proposal to build a College Boarding-house and that the maintenance of the house should be a charge upon College funds and that accommodation should be free. The Council desire to record their appreciation of the initiative taken by His Highness the Maharaja of Kishangarh, by offering a donation of Rs. 5,000 towards the scheme, and direct that a Building fund account should be opened to which all such donations should be credited.

Rough plans for a two-storeyed house to accommodate 28 boys were examined, the estimated cost being Rs. 1,26,535, and the Principal was requested to submit a detailed scheme with estimates after replies have been received from all the States and persons from whom support is anticipated.

The following donations to the Building Fund, in addition to that of His Highness the Maharaja of Kishangarh, have already been promised and are acknowledged with thanks by the Council:—

Name of State.	Amount promised.
Rajputana States.	
Banswara	2,000
Dungarpur	1,000
States Outside Rajputana.	1
Thakur Umrao Singh of Kotla	2,000
Awagath Raj	8,000

Their Highnesses the Maharao of Sirohi, the Maharawal of Jaisalmer, and the Raja of Tehri have also intimated their approval of the scheme and have promised their support.

Resolution VI.—That with reference to the question of contribution to the Endowment Fund from the Central India Chiefs who have received their education at the College considered in Resolution (1) on Question II of the proceedings of the General Council on 16th October 1908, the Council after considering the correspondence between the Hon'ble the Agent to the Governor-General in Rajputana and the Hon'ble the Agent to the Governor-General in Central India on the subject, decide to accept the suggestion made by Colonel Daly that they should address the Chiefs direct as each attains full powers, although the Council had hoped that the reference made at their request to Central India would have met with more immediate support.

The Vice President announced that the following donations to the Endowment Fund from other States outside Rajputana have been promised, and the thanks of the Council to the donors are recorded:—

The Raja of Bhadawar	•••	•••	***	5,000
The Raja of Tirwa	•••	•••	•••	10,000
His Highness the Raja of	Tehri-Garh	wal	•••	8,000
His Highness the Raja of	Manipur	•••	•••	10,000

The Vice-President concluded by warmly acknowledging on behalf of the Council the generous offer of His Highness the Maharaja of Jodhpur of a lakh of rupces to the College Fund, in admiration of the good which His Excellency Lord Minto has done for India and the help that His Excellency has given to the Native Chiefs in particular.

The Council recorded a hearty vote of thanks to His Highness the Maharaja of Jodhpur.

The proceedings concluded with an expression of thanks by the Vice President to the members who had kindly attended the meeting at some personal inconvenience in order that the interests of the College should not suffer by delay in the transaction of business.